

Grotheer named S.C. Senior of the Day⁷

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A familiar face among the senior community, Spencer Grotheer was recognized by the South Carolina Senate as "Senior of the Day" for Wednesday, May 30.

Along with his wife Jane Grotheer, he was acknowledged by Sen. Greg Ryberg during a recognition service in Columbia.

"It was very interesting to sit in the balcony of the senate," Grotheer said. "I was taken by the whole thing because I really felt there are more people from this area doing worthier things for this award."

The Senior of the Day program was created by Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer to recognize the

contributions of individual seniors to their communities in South Carolina and to raise awareness among state lawmakers of aging issues.

Grotheer was nominated for this honor by Especially

Seniors owner Robbie Yarborough and business manager Linda Lucas. The two attend many organizations together, giving presentations on their services, and Grotheer was a face they would often see as he gave his time to help others with a smile.

"I've always been impressed by him and his integrity," said Lucas, who worked with Grotheer at SRS before his retirement 14 years ago. "He has always given selflessly and is one of the most active

seniors I know."

From serving as senior adult facilitator at St. John's United Methodist Church for the past 12 years to serving on the board of directors for Kalmia Landing Homeowners Association, Grotheer does a great deal of work in the community.

"My wife is very supportive of this; I could not be active if she didn't give me the backup," Grotheer said. "I like to be out working with people and giving back. You just have a worthwhile feeling for yourself to be able to contribute."

Lucas said that, interestingly, when she called to tell him about this honor, he was out taking someone to the hospital in Augusta.



Submitted photo

Especially Seniors owner Robbie Yarborough and business manager Linda Lucas, at left, pose with "Senior of the Day" award recipient Spencer Grotheer, his wife Jane Grotheer and Sen. Greg Ryberg.